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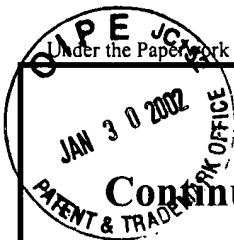
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## Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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| Application Number     | 09/559,738 #14     |
| Filing Date            | April 20, 2000     |
| First Named Inventor   | LUNDQUIST, Ingemar |
| Group Art Unit         | 3763               |
| Examiner Name          | THOMPSON, M.       |
| Attorney Docket Number | A-59616-4/ENB      |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

### 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

#### a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 6, 2001  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

#### b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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### 2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) (required))

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 1,605 is enclosed

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) **\$740 Large Entity**

ii. ☒ Three month extension of time fee of **\$865** is hereby submitted. (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$920 - \$55 (previously submitted fee with unentered amendment on November 6, 2001) = \$865)

iii. ☒ Other Applicant now qualifies for large entity.

b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A-59616-4/ENB)

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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